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Join us for lunch on October 7th and see the new version of ACCPAC Plus, learn the easiest way to prepare for Windows, discuss Year 2000 issues relating to ACCPAC and meet Andrew Bates, president of Softrak Systems!

On October 7th, we are having an informational seminar featuring many ACCPAC topics. We will present the enhancements to the newest ACCPAC Plus release, version 6.5 and discuss the steps you should be taking now to make the transition into the year 2000 a painless one. Andrew Bates. president of Softrak Systems (Quik Reports, Cashbook, Data Care, etc..) will be flying infrom Vancouver to talk to you. about these issues as well as ACCPAC Plus and ACCPAC for Windows You may be thinking of moving up to ACCPAC for Windows but feel overwhelmed Andrew will guide you through everything you should be taking into consideration. You can also take a peek at some of Softrak products that are Windowsbased, but work on ACCPAC Plus for DOS! They will gradually introduce you to Windows-based accounting methods, so that when the time comes to move to ACCPAC for

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# Is your ACCPAC Software Year 2000 Compliant?

The year 2000 is quickly approaching, increasing the pressure on all companies to ensure that their software runs smoothly into the next millenium. Countless articles have been written that discuss how or whether software will handle the change from 1999 to 2000.

We are happy to report that all ACCPAC Plus Accounting products version 6.0A or higher accept dates for the year 2000 and later. The system also correctly calculates dates for leap years.

For example, on January 1, 2000, you will enter the ACCPAC Plus signon date ("today's" date) as 01-01-00. If you enter a transaction for December 12, 1999, you will enter the date as 12-12-99. If you enter a payment due date of February 2, 2001, you will enter the date as 02-02-01. ACCPAC Plus will correctly handle all of these dates.

The following table shows how ACCPAC Plus Accounting interprets the dates you enter for the current and previous century.

System (DOS) Date	Last Two Digits of the Year in the Transaction Date	Interpreted As
1900 – 1989	00 – 99	1900 – 1999
1990 – 1999	10 – 99	1910 – 1999
1990 – 1999	00 – 09	2000 – 2009
2000 – 2009	00 – 89	2000 – 2089
2000 – 2009	90 – 99	1990 – 1999
2010 - 2089	00 – 99	2000 – 2099
2090 – 2099	00 – 09	2100 – 2109
2090 – 2099	10 – 99	2010 – 2099

In addition, all versions of ACCPAC for Windows, beginning with version 1.0, are year 2000 compliant. For those of you running ACCPAC Plus versions below 6.0, you need to upgrade or you will have problems when January 1, 2000 arrives. Upgrades are available for versions as old as ACCPAC Plus 4.X and will take you all the way to the most current version. Upgrade prices range from \$50 - \$250 depending on the module. With newly released Accounts Payable;

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# October 7th ...continued

Windows, you will already have a foot in the door.

ACCPAC International has just released a new version of the **ACCPAC Plus Accounts** Receivable, Accounts Payable and Inventory Control with Purchase Orders modules. These work in conjunction with the Windowing System Manager 6.5 version that was released last year. The new 6.5 version includes Year 2000 enhancements as well as improved on-screen information. The Accounts Receivable module has a new Future Receivables Report and now also allows you to export current and historical transactions for analysis. Accounts Payable has stronger audit controls and also allows transaction exporting. The Inventory Control with Purchase Orders module does full tax calculation/reporting and has more comprehensive receipt processing.

We hope you will join us on October 7<sup>th</sup>. The opportunity to spend the afternoon with knowledgeable ACCPAC consultants is not to be missed. If you have questions, this is a great time to get some answers!

The seminar will be held at 1 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Fort Washington. The cost is \$40 per person and includes a full luncheon. Please call us at 215-641-0464 for more information or sign up via the enclosed registration form.

#### Year 2000 ... continued

Accounts Receivable and Inventory Control modules, there is no better time to update your system and to protect it from year 2000 problems.

What about the ACCPAC Plus Add-on products? The majority of the top developers have already addressed the year 2000 issue. Below please find the most popular vendors/products and their statements.

#### Softrak Systems, Inc.

#### Certified Year 2000 Compliant:

Cashbook for DOS 6.5A – World version only, not North American Cashbook for ACCPAC for Windows 1.0
Data Care 6.5A
Quik History 6.5A
Quik Invoice Plus for DOS 6.5A
Quik Invoice Plus for Windows 6.2B
Quik Reports for DOS 6.5A
Quik Reports for Windows 6.2A
Sales Analysis 6.5A
Time, Billing, & Receivables 6.6A

Note: Older versions of the above products are not certified year 2000 compliant.

#### Not Certified Year 2000 Compliant:

Cash Accounting
Cashbook for Dos
FollowThru
Quik Check for DOS

#### Softline Systems, Inc.

Softline has reviewed all of their products and as of January 1, 1998, all <u>current versions</u> of Softline's products are year 2000 compliant.

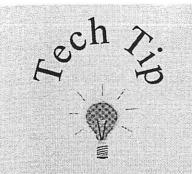
#### Manufacturing Information Systems, Inc.

All MISys products, both DOS and Windows, are year 2000 compliant.

#### **Wellspring Software**

Both the Laser Check and Print Boss products are year 2000 compliant.

Please call us with any questions at 215-641-0464.



When I backed up my ACCPAC Plus OE data files I noticed that the OEOLOG file is huge. What is this file and how can I reduce the size of the file?

The OEOLOG file contains all of the order history information which is kept if you set the Retain Order History for Analysis option to Yes. This file can grow rapidly because every time you post an order, update it, or invoice it, data is added to the OEOLOG file. Information from this file is printed on the Order History report.

To reduce the size of OEOLOG, run Day End Processing, then print the Order History report to a printer or file, and choose to clear the data after printing.

After completing these steps, you may want to turn off the Retain Order History for Analysis option in the Edit Company Profile function if you do not need to keep order history and print the Order History report.

## PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT:

#### FaxWare from Tobit Software

Tobit delivers a real network fax solution for ACCPAC! Combine the power of FaxWare and ACCPAC and you can fax ANY accounting report or form (Statements, Purchase Orders, Invoices...) without ever leaving the ACCPAC user interface. FaxWare also allows you to send faxes from any computer and to effortlessly send documents generated from basic word processing applications, spreadsheets, contact managers, and more, with the click of a button...Just imagine the savings!

# FaxWare/ACCPAC Integration:

- Transmission of monthly statements by fax, a proven method to accelerate the collection of your Accounts Receivable
- The ability to instantly fax out invoices and order confirmations, improving customer response times
- Send out quotes and spec sheets instantly professional look and speed generates more business
- Monitor fax costs directly in ACCPAC, saving both time and money

#### Testimonials:

"The recent installation of Tobit's FaxWare solution...has generated positive results on our cash flow and operations. We now have the ability to automatically fax out invoices on the day that materials are shipped, instead of relying on mail that sometimes takes up to two weeks. We have cut our receivables time significantly and sending out invoices with FaxWare has had a direct input on our cash flow!"

Carloyn Fletcher, Fraser Cedar

"By sending out our statements...with FaxWare, we have cut down on our mailing costs by 30% per month. FaxWare also allows us to keep track of what we fax to customers, and exactly when the documents were received."

Rachel Lafreniere, Outilpac

It's that easy! If you would like more information, give us a call at 215-641-0464 or fill out the enclosed form.

# BCS Fall 1998 Class/Seminar Schedule

September	October	November	December
10 ACCPAC for Windows System Manager Class 15 ACCPAC Plus General Ledger Class 17 ACCPAC for Windows General Ledger Class 22 ACCPAC Plus Accounts Payable Class 24 ACCPAC for Windows Accounts Payable Class 29 ACCPAC for Windows Seminar	6 ACCPAC Plus Accts Receivable Class 7 ACCPAC Plus/Year 2000 Seminar 8 ACCPAC for Windows Accts Receivable Class 14 Quik Reports Class 16 ACCPAC for Windows Report Writing Class 20 ACCPAC Plus Inventory Cont Class 22 ACCPAC for Windows Inventory Cont Class	5 ACCPAC for Windows Seminar 10 ACCPAC Plus Order Entry Class 12 ACCPAC for Windows Order Entry Class 18 ACCPAC for Windows Report Writing Class	4 ACCPAC Plus Year End Class 11 ACCPAC for Windows Year End Class 16 Quik Reports Class

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# ACCPAC Users!...Check inside for Information on Saving Time and Money with ACCPAC!

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# **BCS COMPUTING SERVICES RESPONSE FORM**

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_	YES, I WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP FOR	ORDER THE FO	DLLOWING ITEMS:	
Clas	ses	Date (circle)	Number of People	Fee (per per
ACC	PAC for Windows Sys Mgr Class	9/10		\$395
ACC	PAC for Windows GL Class	9/17		395
	PAC for Windows AP Class	9/24		395
	PAC for Windows AR Class	10/08		395
	PAC for Windows IC Class	10/22	<del></del>	395
	PAC for Windows OE Class	11/12	<del> </del>	395
	PAC for Windows Rprt Writing Class	10/16, 11/18		395
ACC	CPAC for Windows Year End Class	12/11		395
	CPAC Plus GL Class	9/15		295
ACC	CPAC Plus AP Class	9/22		295
ACC	CPAC Plus AR Class	10/06		295
ACC	CPAC Plus IC Class	10/20		295
	CPAC Plus OE Class	11/10		295
	Reports Class	10/14, 12/16		295
	CPAC Plus Year End Class	12/04		295
Sen	ninars			
۸۵۵	CPAC 6.5/Windows/Year 2000 Semina	ır 10/07		\$ 40
	CPAC for Windows Seminar	9/29, 11/05		FREE
Pro	ducts		Qty	Price
Toh	it FaxWare Software (includes 5 users	& 1 fax line)	<u></u>	\$795

<sup>3.</sup> PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO 215-641-4934 and we will contact you. If you have any questions, please call us at 215-641-0464.